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## COMMERCIAL

### SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Vernon and Smyth, in their weekly share report, dated Nov. 29th, state:—

The demand for local investment stocks continues strong, and although only a comparatively small business has been transacted during the interval, prices in several instances have further advanced. Fine Hard Pure Rubber is firmer at 4/5 per lb. with buyers, and the market for Sterling Rubbers closes with an improving tendency. Discount rates are unchanged at 5 per cent (Bank of England) and 4 1/2 per cent (open market). Bar Silver is steady at 29 1/2 d. ready, 29 1/2 d. forward, and Sterling T.T. at 2/1. Shanghai T.T. is quoted at 7 1/2.

**Banks.**—Hongkong and Shanghai have been booked in small lots at \$807 and \$810, and at the close a few more shares are obtainable at the latter rate. London is unchanged at \$82.

**Marine Insurance.**—Unions are a firm Market at \$815 after sales at \$810 odd \$812. Yangtzes have been sold in the North at \$185 and South China's at \$18, the latter closing in request. Cantons have improved, and close with buyers at \$24 1/2 and no sellers under \$25.

**Fire Insurance.**—Small sales of Hongkong after sales at \$970 are firmer with buyers at \$971. Chinas without sales have improved to \$145 buyers, and a higher rate would probably be paid.

**Shipping.**—Hongkong, Canton and Macao remain firm with sales at \$48 and buyers at \$47 1/2. Indo-Chinas have again advanced, and can now be placed at \$80. China and Manilas are quiet at \$81, and Star Ferry's at \$33. Douglases are enquired for \$25, and Shell Transports at 11 1/2 for local account. London quoting 11 1/2 buyers firm.

**Refineries.**—China Sugars are easier with sellers at \$100. Luzons after sales at \$33 1/2 are now probably obtainable at the rate, market closing quiet.

**Mining.**—Trenches have improved to a buying rate of 7 1/2 for London account. Hawwoods continue quiet at 4 1/2, and Kailans at 3 1/2 middle price. Rafts after various fluctuations close with probable sellers at \$44. Pahang Consolidated can be placed with London at 10/9.

**Docks, Wharves and Godowns.**—Hongkong and Whampoa are firmer with buyers at \$103, and reported sales at \$66. Kowloon Wharves have advanced to \$77 buyers after sales at \$75 and \$76, and no shares are at present obtainable. New Amoy Docks are quiet at \$11 and Shanghai Docks at \$10. Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves have improved to \$103, at which rate Shanghai is a buyer.

**Land, Hotels and Buildings.**—Hongkong Lands are easier, and shares are probably obtainable at \$105. Kowloon Lands are firm with buyers at \$30, and West Pointers are in strong request at \$57. Hongkong Hotels close with buyers at \$112 (old) the new being probably obtainable at \$71. Humphreys Estates are wanted at \$8.40, but at \$8 1/2 there are sellers. Shanghai Lands have improved in the north to \$10 with buyers.

**Cotton Mills.**—Ewon have further advanced in the north, the closing quotation being \$118 buyers. In Hongkong, a fairly extensive business has been transacted at \$100 to \$101 with reported sales a slightly higher rate, market closing with sellers at \$75.

**Miscellaneous.**—China Providents have been booked at \$91, China Borneos at \$94, Dairy Farms at \$20 1/2, and Union Water Boats at \$14. There are buyers of China Borneos at \$91, Cement at \$4, Electric at \$12 1/2, Powells at \$8 1/2, Watkins at \$3 1/2, and Steam Fisheries at \$2. Pulpas are obtainable at the reduced rate of \$32. Hongkong Tramways have been done at 5 1/4 ex dividend and are now obtainable from London at 6 1/4 ex div. Langkats after declining to \$15 58 have rapidly advanced to a buying quotation of \$17 70 at which the market closes.

**London Ventures.**—A telegram from our London agents announces the reconstruction of this Corporation there being now a liability of 1/3d. per share on the old issue, the closing quotation for which is 3d. (middle).

**London Quotations.**—Cable quotations (middle price) as follows were received to-day from our London Agents:—  
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London ... 11 1/2  
Easter Trusts ... 18  
Rubber Trusts ... 11 3/4 prem.  
Trenches ... 75 3/4  
Shell Transports ... 11 1/2  
Indo-Chinas ... 17 1/2  
London Ventures ... 3d.  
Pahang Consolidated ... 11 1/2  
Kailans ... 33 3/4  
H.K. Electric Trans ... 4 1/4 ex div.  
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Cable ... 20 3/4  
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## "THE CAVE OF THE CALF."

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Among the plays and operas promised are Mozart's "Bastien et Bastienne," Purcell's "Timon of Athens," the "Lysistrata" of Aristophanes, D'Annunzio's "Dream of an Autumn Evening," Dostoevski's "The Brothers Karamazov," the original version of "The Beggar's Opera" (a most interesting announcement), Haydn's "The Apotheosis," Pergolesi's "Maestro di Capello," and pieces by Strindberg, Leonid Andrejoff, and other writers.

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#### THE TRAM BOYCOTT.

There has fortunately been no recurrence of the disorderly scenes of Monday evening, when passengers on the trams were stopped, but the authorities have deemed it prudent to continue the patrol of the route in the vicinity of the Central Market by European and Indian constables, who still have the assistance of a number of soldiers, who, like the constables, carry drawn truncheons. The boycott as yet shows no sign of dying out. The trams continue to run with the third-class compartments nearly empty, and meanwhile the ricksha men and proprietors of special launches which are being run are benefiting by their loss.

#### NEWS OF THE DAY.

The name of the Chiat Sing Steamship Company has been struck off the register.

The Rev. W. T. Austen will speak at the meeting of the Hongkong Christian Union at St. Paul's College on Monday next at 5.30 p.m.

At the Magistrate's today before Mr. Melbourne eight men were charged by Police Sergeant 41 with gambling at 81 Second Street. They were fined \$5 each.

The total output of the Kaihan Mining Administration for the week ending 16th November, amounted to 29,641.72 tons and the sales during the period to 38,821.79 tons.

At the Magistrate's today a boy was ordered twelve strokes of the birch by Mr. Melbourne for being in possession of lottery tickets at East Point. Inspector McHardy said the boy's father had recently been convicted of a similar offence.

Four men who had come from the country were charged before Mr. Hazeland at the Magistrate's today with trespassing on the railway at Hung Hom. Detective Sergeant Brown said he did not think the men knew they were doing wrong, and they were discharged with a caution.

A change in the signal to be used by ships in the waters of the colony to notify that their navigation is interfered with by defence searchlights, is notified in the Gazette. The new signals are four short flashes by flashing lamp followed by one long flash, or four short blasts followed by one long one.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board will be held on Tuesday, the business on the agenda including the following matters: 1, Letters from the Government relative to the appointment of Mr. D. W. Tinsman to act as Head of the Sanitary Department; 2, relative to the permits for obtaining building material and turf from Pokfulam catchment areas; and 3, relative to the Albany filter beds and service reservoir.

The fact that a number of British officers are serving in the various Balkan armies recalls a story told—but not believed—by Grant Duff in his diary. During one of the conflicts between Russia and Turkey the British commanders-in-chief met to discuss terms of peace. As the Turkish pasha entered his rival's tent he pulled off his turban, and exclaimed, in the broadest of Scots, "Eh, Jamie, mon; it's you, then!"

The demand for advance tickets enabling holders to book seats for "An Ideal Husband" three days before the public booking, has been so great that it has been found necessary to exceed the limit originally set down so that those who have been disappointed may now avail themselves of this opportunity by applying for the same either direct from Messrs Moutrie and Co. or members and ladies connected with the various charities concerned. The booking to holders of advance tickets opens on the morning of Wednesday, 4th December, and to the public on the morning of Saturday, 7th December. No seats can be booked before the 4th December by anyone, and those who are anxious to obtain good seats are advised to secure advance tickets and book early on Wednesday morning at Moutrie's.

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#### RAMBLING NOTES.

All who were at the gathering of the local Scots last night are in entire agreement that the gathering, the Ball, the supper, the decorations, everything about the function made for one of the best St. Andrew's celebrations ever held in Hongkong.

This remark is probably passed year by year by the participants of this enjoyable function so prone to people to forget the delights of the past in the pleasures of the present.

There can be no doubt, however, but that last night's ball was a brilliant and most enjoyable function, and well worthy of being compared with many of the glorious "St. Andrew's Nights" of the past.

But, on postscript, it should not be forgotten that it wasn't St. Andrew's night at all—the Scots, very properly, concluding that it would be better to dance and make merry into the Saturday rather than the Sunday morning.

Were the good and holy St. Andrew again to visit this terrestrial sphere and witness the elaborate celebrations in his honour he would probably be mightily astonished, for the hierarchy that attends his anniversary is by no means suggestive of the life of the cloistered monk, who is believed to have been born in Ireland, educated in Scotland and to have died in Italy!

However, no matter what is known accurately of the famous monk. To-day, he is still universally celebrated by Scotsmen and their friends as Scotland's patron Saint, whose anniversary no self-respecting Son of Scotia would allow to pass without making merry in the time-honoured fashion—with dancing and revelry, the skill of the bag-pipes and the making of valiant attempts by himself and Scotch friends to partake of the weird concoction known as the haggis.

Quite a little stir has been caused by the attitude of a certain section of the Chinese community with reference to the Tramway Company's action regarding Chinese subsidiary cins.

The Police, however, it was very gratifying to note, were not in the humour to allow the recalcitrant firebrands to create disturbance, and smartly put a period—and a very short one—to the displays of rowdiness that were indulged in on Tuesday evening.

The hooligan element among our Chinese friends must be taught, by strong measures if the ordinary quiet ones are not effectual, that they cannot express their grievances in a manner that makes for public disturbance; and that all such rowdiness will be properly dealt with, as it certainly has been at the Magistrate's.

There is a right and a wrong way of having grievances "adjusted"—and the recent disturbances prove nothing more than that the riotous young men have, so far, gone about the matter in the wrong way.

As pointed out in the "China Mail" the other evening, these disorderly young men seem to entirely forget that they are in a British Colony and that they must comport themselves according to British law.

If they don't—well they'll know that they haven't done so—and in a very clear and convincing manner.

I see with pleasure that we are to have a visit from the great singer Mme. Eva Gauthier. I say "great" without the slightest hesitation, as Mme. Gauthier is unquestionably one of the greatest artists of the most charming vocalists ever heard in the Far East. A year or so ago, Mme. Gauthier paid Hongkong and other places in this part of the world a visit; and by her wonderful mezzo-soprano voice captivated all who heard her. This talented lady is of French-Canadian birth and niece to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Canada's ex-Premier. All lovers of a great voice, winning personality and artistic gifts of a very high order should reserve Wednesday next for the City Hall, where Mme. Gauthier is to give her only concert while in Hongkong. Several of our most talented local musicians are to assist in the programme.

The Volunteers have had their annual encampment and have returned fit and sound. They are, I'm told, quite elated over the easy manner in which they dealt with the Scouts and Reserves in their attempt to capture their stronghold. After reading the official report of the proceedings, I am inclined to think that their little reason for satisfaction on any side, as the statements of the Volunteers are by no means flattering. It is quite clear that Volunteers, Scouts and Reserves, judged from the point of view of the military aspect, have still quite a lot to learn, and it is therefore to be hoped that the "straight tips" given will be well received as they are doubtless well meant, and that they will result—no doubt they will—in a higher degree of efficiency.

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#### ST ANDREW'S BALL.

#### Brilliant Function Last Night.

Many brilliant functions are held in Hongkong in the course of a year, but premier amongst all is the place taken in honour of the patron Saint of Scotland. Scotsmen are undoubtedly makers of history in all parts of the world, and on St. Andrew's night, be it the country north of Tweed, or any part of the world, Scotsmen will on that night celebrate the memory of their patron Saint. Here in Hongkong there is a very large community of Scotch folk and it is not surprising—indeed it is as it should be—that St. Andrew's Ball is made the most interesting event in Hongkong's round of amusements. The success of last night's function was not achieved without an enormous amount of labour, but the energetic committees made it a labour of love, and the smoothness with which they worked to make everybody happy was largely responsible for the success of the ball last night. It would be hard for those outside the working of the committees to realise the enormity of the details that such a function entails, and the tact with which these details have to be attended, but the committees are Scotsmen, and consequently they all worked whole-heartedly together with the characteristic Scotch tenacity of purpose. Although a great amount of credit is due to these gentlemen, no one will begrudge a special word of praise to the President, Mr. W. Dickson, and the Honorary Secretary, Mr. A. B. Pollock, for the manner in which they carried out their work.

As has been usual in previous years, the whole of the City Hall buildings were taken to accommodate the hundreds of guests, and the decorating scheme was carried out on the gorgeous scale that have been followed in previous years by the Society. A huge quantity of decorative material was used, and the result was that the City Hall buildings were transformed into a veritable fairyland. On entering the building the first thing that guests were confronted with was a bower of greenery and electric light, a huge St. Andrew's cross in evergreens and embellished with blue and white lights being, of course, in great prominence. The columns of the staircase were almost hidden by feather bunches. The next thing that caught the eye was a large mirror at the head of the stairs, which reflected a stag's head over a large electrical device illustrating a thistle in green and red lights. On either side of the mirror were Scotch standards with the lion rampant, and flags of St. Andrew on which were the dates 1847–1912, indicating that the society has enjoyed a prosperous existence of sixty-six years.

Both the St. George's and St. Andrew's halls, where the dancing took place, were decorated on a very lavish scale. There were on the columns around the hall cleverly conceived shields, battle axes, Claymores, and helmets, reminding one that the Scots of old were a warlike race. At the head of the hall was the Scott's National Royal coat of arms, whilst at the opposite end of the hall was an illuminated lion rampant—in fact there was no lack of rampant Lees in any of the apartments. In the St. George's Hall Queen Victoria's picture was surrounded with a huge St. Andrew's flag draped in the form of a cross. At the further end of the hall was a Ross shield of large dimensions bearing the coat of arms of the ex-President. A similar scheme of armorial decoration was followed here. An innovation at this year's ball was an electrical device indicating the next dance. The verandahs were draped around with flags, and bamboo masts kept out draughts from those who used the alcoves for sitting out. The orchestra of the E.O.Y.L.I. discoursed charming music for the dancing, and their stand was beautifully decorated. The following was the programme of the dances that were carried out:

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| ENTRE WALTZ              | Charlottes.             |
| 1. Lancers               | Academics.              |
| 2. Valse                 | Ladies and Gentlemen.   |
| 3. CALICOVALTAS          | Scots.                  |
| 4. Valse                 | The Dancers.            |
| 5. DUTCHMAN'S REEL       | Polly Dore.             |
| 6. TWO STEPS             | Everybody's doing it.   |
| 7. CALICOVALTAS          | Scots.                  |
| 8. STRATHMORE            | The Haggis of Galloway. |
| 9. Valse                 | Champion de nos Coeurs. |
| 10. TWO STEPS            | Polly Dore.             |
| 11. Valse                | The Dancers.            |
| 12. TWO STEPS            | In the Shadow.          |
| 13. Valse                | Songs of Autumn.        |
| 14. DUTCHMAN'S REEL      | Mr. McLeod.             |
| 15. POLKA                | De Cloona.              |
| 16. STRATHMORE & REEL    | Scots.                  |
| 17. Valse                | Scots.                  |
| 18. HIGHLAND SCOTCHNESS  | Kel Row.                |
| 19. CALICOVALTAS         | Scots.                  |
| 20. DUTCHMAN'S REEL      | Flowers of Edinburgh.   |
| 21. TWO STEPS            | Dolly Dore.             |
| 22. Valse & CALICOVALTAS | Scots.                  |

It will seen that the programme included many typically Scotch dances, and that these had been carefully practised and shown by the capable manner in which the dancers went through them.

The theatre was used as a supper-room, and its customary appearance had been entirely transformed. The stage looked exceedingly pretty, and there was a horseshoe-shaped table on it which was seated some of the elite of the "society" of the colony. The other guests were seated at tables in the auditorium and balcony. All the pillars and columns were adorned with festoons of evergreens, from which peeped tiny electric lights. There were also electrically-lighted table decorations, which with the handsome silver cups on the "top" table made a very pretty effect.

The scene in the ball-room presented a veritable landscape of colour, which was

heightened by the bright uniforms of officers and the charming dresses of the ladies. The floor had been carefully attended to, and it had a perfect surface for dancing. There is no doubt that this year's St. Andrew's ball will live long in the memory of those who were present at it.

For non-dancers some capital amusements had been arranged, and many spent an enjoyable time in the café-room and other apartments which had been set aside.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady May were present at the ball, and they opened the dance officially by participating in the "Lancers" the set being as follows:—Mr. W. Dickson (Chief) and Lady May, H. E. Sir Henry May and Mrs. Dickson, Commodore Anstruther and Mrs. Ross, the Hon. Mr. E. Pollock, K.C., and Mrs. Chatham, the Hon. Mr. W. Chatham and Mrs. Bonnar, the Hon. Mrs. Ross Davies, (Chief Justice), and Mrs. Pollock, the Hon. J. W. C. Bonnar and Mrs. Bucknill, and the Hon. Mr. C. H. Ross and Mr. Irwin.

Dancing continued with zest till well beyond the "wee sma' oot."

Supper was commenced at 11.30, after the eighth dance, and the party was led to the supper room by the Governor, who was preceded by Mr. Neil Drummond, the honorary piper, who did some capital service during the evening by playing as capably on the bag pipes. During the supper there was some short speech-making, and the chief made a capital speech. He said:—Your excellencies, Mr. Vice President, Ladies and Gentlemen:—

We are met in accordance with the time honoured custom to celebrate the annual ball of St. Andrew's Society; and it is my privilege as President as well as a very great pleasure to me personally to extend to all a most hearty welcome. The society, which was started sixty-six years ago has, of course, over the years but even if it had not I still think the annual ball would justify its existence and I am sure you will agree with me that it is an excellent thing to break away sometimes from the daily routine and meet together socially under conditions resembling as closely as possible the traditions of "Bonnie Scotland." To my mind there is nothing "East O'Suey" which recalls these traditions more vividly than Hongkong St. Andrew's Ball. To many of us it will recall picturesque scenes of Highland gatherings.

"Where wild woods grow, and rivers flow,  
And many a hill between"—  
scenes of mountain and of glen and of brave gallants or as they say locally:—  
"The manna's a gleam a'na' gaeach."

I do not propose to go into the history of St. Andrew's Scottish descent; I read somewhere recently that he came to us from Ireland—but 'sae ma dootie' (laughter). Personally I am inclined to think our forebears just took possession of him, as they did the throne of England some centuries later, and that may perhaps account for the estimation in which we hold South O' the Tweed where the Scot is described as a man that keeps the Sabbath day—and every other thing he can lay his hands on, (laughter). The Hongkong Scots take a pride in keeping St. Andrew's day and I hope we shall long continue to do so (applause). But seriously Scotland has much to be thankful for to her patron Saint and it is interesting to note that the banner carried by our countryman and ancestor was St. Andrew's Cross. The place which bears his name was the pioneer both in religion and education and the enthusiasm which inspired his followers and induced them to bring his relics to Scotland has inspired many the path to duty, and please God will inspire many more. (applause) Ladies and Gentlemen I give you the toast of the evening—the pious and immortal memory of St. Andrew, and I ask you to honour it in respectful silence.

The toast having been drunk in silence, the ceremony of bringing in the haggis took place. Piper Drummond played in the bagpipes, which was carried by Mr. A. B. Pollock, while Mr. W. C. Jack carried the barley brea, Mr. G. L. Duncan having charge of the quiche. The Chief, having given the carriers of the haggis and the whisky a dram each from the quiche, then partook himself from the quiche, and offered it in turn to his gentlemen guests, the whisky brea being supplied the guests with the drink. After partaking of the contents of the quiche was returned to show there were "no heel taps," and kissed. This ended the ceremony, but the piper played at intervals during supper, which was catered for by the Westminster Cafe Company.

After the supper, the Chief read the telegrams of greeting which had been sent to Brithers Scots at Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki, Wei-hai-wei, Tientsin, Haibin, Shanghai, Amoy, Canton, Singapore, Penang, Bangkok and Malacca. It read:—  
Chairman Dickson and Hongkong Scots greet Brithers Scots, Pollock, Secretary.

Greetings received from the following places were also read:—  
Harbin:—Greetings from Harbin MacIntyre.  
Bangkok:—Brithers Scots and greetings. Keddie, Chairman.  
Kobe:—President Hall and Brithers Scots send greetings. Forsyth, Secretary.  
Malacca:—Brithers Scots send greetings.  
Yokohama:—Chief Miller and Brithers Scots send greetings. Gibson, Secretary.  
Shanghai:—Chief Stephen and Brithers Scots greet you most heartily. Martin, Secretary.  
Wei-hai-wei:—Ancient, President, sends hearty greetings. Long may Scotland flourish and Governors rest while piper play. Stewart, Locher.

Singapore:—Hearty greetings from Brithers Scots.  
Nagasaki:—Nagasaki Scots thank you heartily and reciprocate greetings as pressed.  
Penang:—Chief Duncan and Penang Scots greet Brithers Scots.  
Malacca:—Greeting Brithers Scots. Keith, Chairman:—Thank you for your week and year past. Bryson, Secretary.

The following were the committees:—  
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HONORARY PIPER:—Mr. Neil Drummond.

#### GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS.

The following appointments are gazetted:—  
The Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax to be a member of the committee for the Wang-wei-ching and Queen's recreation grounds, as representative of the Hongkong Football Club, vice Mr. P. W. Goldring.

Mr. A. E. Wood to be a member of the Board of Examiners, with effect from the 1st October, 1912, and Mr. David William Trautman to act for him during his absence on leave.

Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse (hon. secretary), Mr. T. H. King and the first assistant Registrar-General, members of the Board of Examiners, to be a sub-committee for the examination of subordinate officers of the police and gnd in English, Chinese and Hindustani.

#### A DISORDERLY SEAMAN.

A man named John Marney was fined 85 or fourteen days' by Mr. Hazeland at the Magistrate's this morning for behaving in a disorderly manner at the Seamen's Institute and abusing Mr. Davies, the manager. Mr. Davies stated that the man was an absentee from an "Empress" boat. He had done all in their power to get him back on the C.P.R. but they would not take him owing to his bad character. He had been "on the beach" at Hongkong for some time—about a month—and the Institute had kept him for part of the time, but latterly he had been subsisting by begging from benevolent people.

#### CHARGE OF RECKLESS DRIVING.

At the Magistrate's today before Mr. Melbourne, the Chinese driver of motor-car No. 12 was charged on remand with recklessly driving a motor-car and knocking down and injuring Francis Powell, of the Naval Ordnance Department, near the Belle Vue Hotel.

Evidence was given by Seaman Graves, of the U.S. Navy, who said that he was outside the Belle Vue Hotel with some friends when the accident happened. They were waiting for a car that he had ordered to come for them, when a motor-car came up behind them from the direction of Shaukiwan. Mr. Powell was struck by the car, which went on without stopping. No horn was sounded. Witness and a friend picked the man up and carried him to the hotel. Blood was coming from a cut on his head.

In reply to Inspector McHardy, witness said he only knew Powell by name. They had not been drinking with him all day, and Powell was not the worse for drink. The car was going about thirty miles an hour.

Inspector McHardy said it would be impossible for the witness to say at what speed the car was going, as it came up when his back was turned.

Corroborative evidence was given by another American sailor, and the case was again remanded until next Saturday.

#### ROYAL CHRISTMAS CARDS.

#### This Year's Design.

The King and Queen, and the Prince of Wales, Queen Alexandra, and the German Emperor have honoured Messrs. Raphael Tuck and Sons by entrusting them with the designing and printing of Christmas cards.

The King's card, which has been painted by Mr. J. Finnemore, represents the Prince of Wales receiving the Princess Mary at the Coronation in Westminster Abbey. The Prince is in the robes of the Garter, is shown standing by his chair before the peers' seats. He is receiving the salutes of the Royal persons as they pass his sister, Princess Mary, being the first to make obeisance.

The Queen's card, painted by Mr. Howard Davis, represents Henry VII. presenting Lady Catherine, Gordon to his Queen.

The design on Queen Alexandra's card is the Madonna and Child, painted by Harriet M. Bonnett.

The Prince of Wales's card, which depicts the Armada setting sail for England, is painted by Mr. Bernard Gribble.

The German Emperor's card, which is also painted by Mr. Howard Gribble, represents Napoleon returning from Egypt, 1799.



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## THE WAR.

### PEACE NEGOTIATIONS IN PROGRESS.

Plenipotentiaries Being "Sumptuously Entertained."

LONDON, Nov. 29.

The latest telegrams state that plenipotentiaries at Bagchekeul continue, but nothing concrete has been effected. Nazim Pasha is sumptuously entertaining the delegates, the meals being obtained from a Constantinople restaurant.

In Government circles in Sofia confidence is felt that an armistice will be concluded in a few days.

### SELICIOUS EXPRESSIONS AT VIENNA.

At an extraordinary session of the Vienna Municipality, a manifesto was adopted for presentation to the Emperor affirming that national economic prosperity was only vouchsafed to the State which maintains peace not by dishonourable weakness but by force. A crowd of about 1000 marched in procession singing the National Anthem, and the Burgomaster addressed them.

### FRESH SERVIAN VICTORIES.

The Servians have captured Dibra. Another telegram states that Servians also occupied Durazzo yesterday afternoon without resistance, and that the Austrian Lloyd steamer Graf Warbrand thereupon left with refugees.

### ALBANIA'S INDEPENDENCE.

Ismail Kemal, President of the Provisional Albanian Government, has telegraphed to the Italian Foreign Minister announcing that the Albanian National Assembly has met at Valona and proclaimed Albania's political independence; that Albania had constituted a provisional Government charged to defend the existence of the Albanian people.

The President asked that Italy should recognise Albania's independence.

Ismail Kemal has telegraphed to the Austrian Foreign Minister an expression of views similar to those held by the Italian Minister.

### THE FIGHTING AT ADRIANOPOLE.

The Bulgarians announce that the lines at Adrianople are being constantly drawn closer now that they are within a thousand metres of the city.

The Consuls have hoisted their respective flags so as to prevent the Bulgarians from firing at the Consulates.

### THE PROPOSED CONFERENCE.

An Incorrect Statement.

Reuter states that it is incorrect that Sir Edward Grey made the proposal that a conference of Ambassadors should be held for the purpose of considering the future of Albania, the Aegean Islands, and the Dardanelles.

The report was based upon some remarks made by Sir Edward Grey to certain Ambassadors regarding the present cumbrous and dilatory exchange of communication between capitals.

The suggestion has been made that some form of international body which could settle the proposals would be useful.

The "Nieu Freie Press," Vienna, states that the proposal has not yet been officially received in the capital, but if resolutions were passed which would not be binding upon the Powers the suggestion might be acceptable in certain conditions.

Reuter's Paris correspondent telegraphs that the proposal to hold a conference of Ambassadors to discuss certain points relating to the future of the Balkans has not yet reached a definite stage, but the friendly manner in which the suggestion was received, especially in Berlin, is regarded as a most favourable sign.

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## WHOLESALE SURRENDER OF TURKS.

Reuter's Sofia correspondent states that after a desperate fight near Demotika two divisions of the Turkish Redifs have surrendered to the Bulgarians. The prisoners include two Divuls, 232 officers and 8,870 men. The Bulgarians captured much war material including several mountain batteries, two machine guns and a thousand horses.

## THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

### SOME HEATED SCENES.

LONDON, Nov. 29.

The House of Commons heatedly discussed the allocation of time for the Welsh Disestablishment Bill, and some of the Liberals concurred with the Opposition in their contention that fourteen days for Committee stage was inadequate.

### OPPOSITION LEADER ACCUSES THE PREMIER.

Mr Bonar Law vigorously attacked the Government, and said that if the procedure to which Parliament was now subjected becomes permanent the House of Commons, as a legislative institution, would be destroyed. He accused Mr Asquith of breaking his pledge, made during the debate on the Parliament Bill, that the Commons would not be deluged with legislation. The Government wanted to destroy the veto of the people.

### MR ASQUITH'S DENIAL.

Mr Asquith denied a breach of pledge, and the closure was carried by a majority of 72. An amendment by Mr Lyttelton to restrict the discussion of the Bill, as it was not sanctioned by the country, was defeated by a majority of 74, the figures being greeted with Opposition cheers.

The Government majorities subsequently were about 90. The Commons is still sitting.

### OPPOSITION AMENDMENTS DEFEATED.

Mr Asquith agreed to extend the Committee stage for two days. Numerous Opposition amendments to extend other stages were defeated by majorities of over 90. Finally the allocation of 19 days for all stages was decided upon by a majority of 185, which included 15 votes from Ministers. The announcement was received with cheers. The sitting was adjourned at 2.30.

### MORE HEATED SCENES.

Members Reproved by the Speaker.

There were again heated scenes in the Commons this afternoon, upon the discussion of an amendment proposed by Lieut.-Col. Sir A. S. T. Griffith-Boscawen, the Member for the Dudley Division. The amendment sought to direct the Welsh Disestablishment Bill so as to treat disestablishment and disendowment separately, the mover urging that many people favoured one but not the other.

The Speaker found it necessary to reprove both Ministerialists and members of the Opposition.

Mr McKenna contended that amendment was unnecessary, as the two questions came upon separate clauses, and the motion was defeated.

### BRITISH LAND SYSTEM.

### MR LLOYD GEORGE AND SCOTTISH DEER LAND.

LONDON, Nov. 30. Mr Lloyd George, speaking at Aberdeen, said that a complete change in the land system was absolutely imperative. Referring to the Scottish emigration statistics, he said that thousands of acres in the Highlands upon which used to be reared the finest soldiers the world produced were now given over to deer, and asked: "What would battalions of deer have done for us in South Africa?"

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## KINGLY GIFTS FROM INDIA.

### DREADNOUGHTS AND CRUISERS FOR THE EMPIRE.

LONDON, Nov. 30.

Reuter's Bombay correspondent telegraphs that the independent rulers, princes and nobles of India are stated to be conferring with the view to presenting a kingly gift to the Imperial Government.

The gift, it is said, will take the form of three Super-Dreadnoughts and nine first class cruisers, which will be named after the presidencies and capitals of the principal donors. It is suggested that the vessels be stationed in the Red Sea, Mediterranean, and Indian Ocean.

The names suggested for the battleships are the Madras, Bengal, and Bombay, and for the cruisers, Hyderabad, Mysore, Khatmandu, Shesgar, Gwalior, Indore, Baroda, Rajputana and Travancore.

The idea is said to have originated either in Baroda or Gwalior.

Official confirmation of the report cannot at present be obtained.

### DOMINIONS TRADE COMMISSION.

### MORE CHANGES.

LONDON, Nov. 30.

Sir Edgar Vincent has been appointed Chairman of the Dominions Trade Commission to succeed Mr. Morley, M.P., who has retired on account of ill-health. Sir Alfred Bateman has been appointed a member of the Commission, and Mr. D. O. Malcolm secretary, in place of Mr. W. A. Robinson, who has been appointed assistant secretary to the Office of Works.

### SUFFRAGETTES WITH EXPLOSIVES.

### WAITING FOR MR. LLOYD GEORGE.

LONDON, Nov. 30. Last evening the police discovered three women in the Aberdeen Music Hall where Mr. Lloyd George, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, is speaking to-night. They were arrested, and in their possession were found explosives which are described as being of a dangerous nature. One of the prisoners is a young girl.

### DISGRACEFUL SUFFRAGETTE OUTRAGES.

### THOUSANDS OF LETTERS DESTROYED.

LONDON, Nov. 29.

As stated in a telegram yesterday, corrosive fluid and paraffin-soaked rags were found in a number of pillar-boxes in the West End of London last evening. It is believed to be the work of Suffragettes. The police are actively investigating the matter.

Thousands of letters have been destroyed in the City alone.

Similar outrages have been perpetrated in Birmingham, Nottingham, Newcastle, and elsewhere in the Provinces.

The "maid" was carefully organised to take place at the busiest hour of the evening. The method was to post an envelope containing an uncorked bottle full of a corrosive fluid. When some of the bags were emptied in the sorting room, the contents burst into flame due to exposure to the air.

### RUSSIAN POLITICS.

### PRESIDENT'S PATRIOTIC SPEECH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Nov. 29.

The fourth Duma has been opened. M. Rodianko, an Octobrist, has been elected President. In a speech he declared that the Duma must always aim at the welfare of the Fatherland, for whose glory all were ready to offer their lives, should the clouds now in the political sky break into a thunderstorm.

### HAVE YOU A COUGH?

If you have a cough, cure it. A cough is a symptom of more serious trouble. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best obtainable, and you need have no hesitation in using it as it contains nothing injurious. For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

## SPORTING.

### United Services Football League.

A meeting of the management committee of this League was held at the Soldiers Club, on Friday afternoon. The application of the H.M.S. Minotaur to join the League was approved. It was decided to have a Navy v. Army match on Boxing Day afternoon, and the selection of the Navy team was left to the Honorary Secretary of H.M.S. Minotaur and H.M.S. Kent F.C.'s. The Army team will be chosen by a small Committee. The arrangements for the match were left in the hands of the Honorary Secretary and the Assistant Honorary Secretary. Ship's Corp'l. Charlwood, H.M.S. Minotaur, was elected to the Emergency Committee vice Electrician Bolt, H.M.S. Defence.

### UNITED SERVICES FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

Matches for December 1912. Kick off 4 p.m.

Mon: 2nd, Koyli (A) V. Kent, Military, Mr. Gr. Fuller.  
Mon: 2nd, Minotaur V. 88 Coy R.G.A., Naval, Sgt. Wilson.  
Thurs: 5th, Koyli (B) V. Minotaur, Military, Sgt. Hare.  
Mon: 9th, 88 Coy R.G.A., V. Kent, Military, Br. Woods.  
Tues: 10th, Minotaur V. R.E., Naval, Mr. Gr. Fuller.  
Thurs: 12th, 88 Coy R.G.A. V. Minotaur, Lyemun Sgt. Wilson.  
Fri: 13th, Kent V. 87 Coy R.G.A., Naval, Sgt. Tpt. Palmer.  
Mon: 16th, 87 Coy R.G.A. V. Minotaur, Military, Br. Woods.  
Wed: 18th, Kent V. R.E., Naval, Mr. Gr. Fuller.

Thurs: 19th, Minotaur V. Koyli (A), Naval, Writer Moss.

Thurs: 19th, Koyli (B) V. 87 Coy R.G.A., Military, Sgt. Wilson.

Tues: 24th, Minotaur V. Kent, Naval, Br. Woods.

Tues: 24th, R.E.V. Koyli (B), Military, Mr. Gr. Fuller.

Thurs: 26th, Navy V. Army.

Boxing day.

Mon: 30th, Kent V. Koyli (A) Naval, Sgt. Wilson.

Tues: 31st, Minotaur V. Koyli (B), Naval, Br. Woods.

The ground and Referee for the Army and Navy match on Boxing Day will be arranged later.

K.O.Y.L.I. (A) is the Right Half Backs: K.O.Y.L.I. (B) is the Left Half Backs: Table to date inclusive.

Goals.

Teams. F. W. L. D. P. A. F.

H.M.S. Kent..... 5 3 1 1 7 0 7

88 Coy R.G.A..... 3 2 0 1 7 1 5

83 Coy R.G.A..... 3 2 1 0 6 4 4

K.O.Y.L.I. (A)..... 4 1 3 0 6 6 2

Half..... 2 1 1 0 4 4 2

87 Coy R.G.A. (Lt)..... 1 0 1 0 0 1 0

K.O.Y.L.I. (B)..... 2 0 2 0 2 10 0

H.M.S. Defence..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

H.M.S. Minotaur..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

R.E..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

### VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

#### PARADES.

All units Monday December 2nd and Friday December 6th. Infantry Drill. Rifles and Sidearms to be brought.

#### LEAVE.

Lieut. H. Hunter is granted leave of absence for 12 months with effect from 14, 11, 12.

#### PROMOTION.

Pto. Rows Left Section H. G. Co. to be Lieut. Cpl. to date 29, 11, 12.

#### NAT. READING CLASS.

The Class in Map Reading and Field Sketching will commence at Volunteer Headquarters on Thursday December 12th at 6 p.m.

#### RANGE TAKERS' CLASH.

A Class for the training of Range Takers will be formed during the next few months. Members Artillery Battery and Machine Gun Companies wishing to attend must send their names to the Staff Officer as quickly as possible.

### FAILURE OF SOCIALISM.

#### Object Lesson From America.

The failure of Socialism when put to the test of practical government is avowed by Mr Henry, a prominent Socialist leader who was just resigned from his party as a protest against the administrative methods of the Socialists who were recently elected to the principal offices in Schenectady, State of New York. Mr Henry was the closest adviser to Schenectady's Socialist mayor, Dr J. R. Lunn, and edited Dr Lunn's newspaper, the "Schenectady Citizen," the official Socialist organ.

In resigning his editorship, Mr Henry declares that incessant and frivolous disputes occur among the Socialist leaders, and he alleges that the Municipal Government is run by an autocratic cabal who ignore everybody's wishes except their own. He proceeds:—

"I'm thoroughly disgusted with the wrangling and intense discontent at the party meetings in connection with an organization whose teachings are comradely. If they are so discordant among so small a number how can they conclude that the whole world will be so ideal under their theories? They have every chance to try their theories at their own meetings, and yet what terrible discord reigns! Let the rank and file want something and then tactics enter, and the 'big' fellows usually have their own way. There is no democratic expression."

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